

The **Parks and Recreation Board** met Monday, March 23, 2009, 4:30pm, at City Hall in the Lower Level Conference Room.

Present at said meeting were Garnet Peck, Mike Dana, Mary Nauman, Richard Shockley, and Attorney John Sorensen. Joe Payne, Pennie Ainsworth, Chris Foley, Lee Booth, Brenda Lorenz, and Cheryl Kolb represented the department. Clerk-Treasurer Judy Rhodes was also present. Absent from the Park Board was Karen Springer, and Council members Ann Hunt, Gerald Thomas and Gerry Keen were absent.

Garnet convened the Board at 4:35pm.

The first item on the agenda was the approval of the minutes of the February 23, 2009 meeting. Mike motioned to approve the minutes as presented. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Superintendent – Joe reported on the following:

- Noted the Council Report was included in the mailing.
- Joe gave a review of the monthly projects funded for completion.
- Final plans for Aldi's have been submitted.

Assistant Superintendent – Pennie reported on the following:

- Last week they had their first coed softball meeting. To date we have 13 teams that have paid the \$325 fee. We will take the first 36 teams that have paid. The next meeting will be April 20 to go over schedule conflicts.
- The Men's League has four teams that have paid the \$525 fee, with four more slots available. Their schedule conflict meeting will be on April 22.
- League play will start the week of May 11.
- She has been entering the summer program classes on the City's new web page along with entering class information into RecTrac.
- The first Global Fest committee meeting was held. We need two new committee members – one willing to recruit volunteers and the other to do publicity.
- Pool passes have been ordered and received. The pool signs were updated with the new admission and pool pass fees.
- I have ordered replacement parts for Lincoln Park (play panel) and Tapawingo Park (climbing wall). Both have been replaced at no cost to the Department.

Parks – Lee reported on the following:

- Inspection reports available.
- Finishing setting up the Pony League field
- Opening parks for the season
- Additional sunshade installed at the pool. The pool was drained so that we could order new drain covers to meet the Virginia Graeme Baker Pool Safety Act.
- Cyr Plumbing to begin repairs at the rink this week or next, two days work at \$3,500 if the leak is in the area that we believe it is. The spot is where Freije Corporation indicated with there sonic detector.

Recreation Report – Chris reported on the following:

- Has spent all her time working on the summer programs; trying to get those entered and finalized.
- Since we are unable to fill the full time bookkeeper position, we are going to hire a temporary part-time person to do the books so the rest of us can get back to doing our own jobs.
- Judy has been working to make our current Rec-trac software compliant with the new regulations concerning security issues with credit cards.

Morton Center – Brenda reported on the following:

- WALLA began their classes today. They have a record enrollment. One class alone has 138 people registered.
- The church that rents space from Morton on Sundays has found another location. Their last day of services at Morton is expected to be April 5.
- Over spring break, young people from the church met every morning at Morton and then they did service projects which included cleaning up around Morton. They worked every morning during the week trimming some of the brush that died over the winter, pulling weeds, and spreading mulch. Morton provided soda and pizza for them for lunch on Friday to show our appreciation for their hard work.
- The promotional DVD that was prepared of Morton by a Purdue student has been placed on You Tube. You Tube limits posted videos to a maximum of ten minutes. So the last three and half minutes of the video does not play on You Tube. We have a link to it on the new City's website. One of our instructor's reported that Comcast has also shown the DVD on Channel 13 at least once.

Old Business

Taste of Tippecanoe

Joe met with the folks putting on the Taste of Tippecanoe this year. It will be about the same as in the past. He passed around a graphic of the layout for the taste. They are promoting Tapawingo Park as the Family Taste. They will use our new band shell/shelter if it is ready.

New Business

Tapawingo Park Quotes

There are two parts to the quotes. One is for tearing out the old broken concrete and asphalt, replacing with new per the design. The first quote was from Fairfield Contractors for \$17,599. Second quote was from Milestone for \$26,236. Third quote was from Simon Construction for \$22,862.

These next quotes are for the slab work and installation of the shelter. The first quote was from Mid-States General Mechanical for \$17,890. Second quote from JR Kelly for \$20,600. Third quote was from Hagerman Inc., for \$23,750. The last quote was from Simon Construction for \$14,323.

Joe asked for Park Board approval for him to work with the Clerk-Treasurer and Redevelopment Commission and to accept the lowest responsive and responsible quotes for the work at Tapawingo Park. Mike motioned to allow Joe to accept the

lowest responsive and responsible quotes. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion passed.

Proposed 2009 Pool Rental Fees

To go along with across the board fee increases Chris proposed an increase in the rental rates for the pool. She is proposing to do an increase this year and then re-evaluate the fees for next year to keep us in line with what others are charging in the area. The pool is available to rent after hours, when it is not open to the public. The proposed increase is a \$25 per hour increase, with a minimum rental of two hours. Mike motioned to increase the pool rental rates as presented. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Mower and Truck Purchase

Lee reported that he accepted RFQ's last week for a new 72 inch Kabota mower. Last Friday he met with Judy and went through the Quantity Purchasing Agreement for the State and found a half-ton pick up truck (Ford F150). The best quote for the mower was from Booth Machinery, which included a trade in and the amount was \$9,604. The price for the truck was \$14,959. Mary motioned to accept the lowest responsive and responsible quotes for the mower and truck. Mike seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Cumberland Park

Soccer Clinic Joe received a request from the Covenant Presbyterian Church for use of the soccer fields to conduct a soccer clinic on Saturday, June 13, from 9 am to 3 pm. The clinic would be for children ages four through fifth grade. They will request a donation of \$5 to cover some of the cost. T-shirts would be provided to each child. The clinic is open to everyone; the younger kids will attend in the morning. They will plan different drills and skills sessions, rules and good sportsmanship review, and competition. They also plan to have a racing inflatable slide. They will rent a shelter. Mike motioned to approve the use of Cumberland Park. Richard seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Sand Volleyball Court Joe has received a request from representatives of Amberleigh Village to install a permanent sand volleyball court by the North Shelter. The volleyball court at Tapawingo Park was just removed to make way for the new band shelter so those items may be used for the Cumberland Park court.

West Lafayette School Board – No Report

Wabash River

Joe attended first meeting of the Greater Lafayette Regional Wabash River Water Shed Management Plan Committee.

Other

Cash Change Fund

Chris requested Board approval to establish a Cash Change Fund in the amount of \$150 for each of the following: Morton Dance Concert, Municipal Pool and the Playground Program. All funds would revert back no later than November 28, 2009. Mike motioned

to accept the request for the Cash Change Fund. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Computers Surplus

Lee presented a list of surplus computers that he would like the Board to declare surplus so they may be recycled. Mike motioned to declare the items surplus. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Tour of Department

Joe would like to provide Board members tours of the Department. He would schedule one for after lunch at 1:00 and one after work at 4:30 pm. The dates he is proposing are the afternoon of May 6, 7 or 8 or the afternoon of May 12, 13, 14 or 15. He asked that each Board member e-mail him with their choice. The tour would last an hour or so.

Pay Claims

Mike motioned for claims to be paid. Mary seconded the motion, and the motion carried.

Adjourn

The meeting adjourned at 5:25 pm.

Presiding Officer

Secretary